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Applicant: OHZEKI, et al. Conf.: 6799
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For: GRAPHITE POWDER FOR NEGATIVE ELECTRODE
OF LITHIUM ION SECONDARY CELL AND
METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action (Paper No. 18) mailed May 8, 2002, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Sixth Amendment) A graphite material for use in forming a negative electrode of a lithium ion secondary cell which is capable of occluding or releasing lithium ions, wherein said graphite material has adsorbed or is coated with a layer of surface active material that (1) has not been graphitized by heat treatment

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